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SUBJECT: GROUP "SECTOR APPROACH"

FOLLOWING ARE SUBSTANTIVE PORTIONS OF GATT/AIR/1308,
15 SEPTEMBER 1976, RE THE NEXT MEETING OF GROUP
"SECTOR APPROACH."

1. THE FIFTH MEETING OF THE GROUP "SECTOR APPROACH" WILL BE
HELD DURING THE PERIOD 12-15 OCTOBER 1976, BEGINNING AT 10 A.M.
ON TUESDAY, 12 OCTOBER 1976, IN ROOM B, INTERNATIONAL
TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION.

2. AS INDICATED IN THE CHAIRMAN'S SUMMING-UP OF THE DISCUSSION
IN APRIL 1976 (MTN/SEC/4, PARAGRAPH 8), THE GROUP IS EXPECTED
TO REVERT TO THE POINTS TAKEN UP AT ITS LAST MEETING IN THE
LIGHT OF THE COMMENTS AND PROPOSALS MADE AND THE ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTATION TO BE PROVIDED. THE AGENDA MIGHT THEREFORE
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INCLUDE FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF (I) THE PAPER CIRCULATED BY

THE CANADIAN DELEGATION OUTLINING ELEMENTS OF A POSSIBLE AGREEMENT TO LIBERALIZE TRADE IN COPPER PRODUCTS (MTN/SEC/W/7, SEE ALSO MTN/SEC/W/15), (II) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE SECRETARIAT IN MTN/SEC/W/8, 9, 10 AND 11 WITH A VIEW TO PERMITTING A FULLER ANALYSIS OF THE PILOT STUDY ON ORES AND METALS, (III) THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PROVIDED IN MTN/SEC/W/2/ADD.1 AND 2 CONCERNING PROFILES OF THE TOTAL LEVEL OF PROTECTION WITH RESPECT TO WOOD AND WOOD PRODUCTS AND PULP AND PAPER PRODUCTS, AND (IV) THE EXTENSIVE STATISTICAL COMPILATIONS PROVIDED BY THE SECRETARIAT ON CERTAIN SECTORS WHICH HAVE NOT SO FAR BEEN TAKEN UP IN THE GROUP.

3. THE GROUP WILL ALSO HAVE BEFORE IT INFORMATION REQUESTED AT ITS LAST MEETING REGARDING THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE SECTOR APPROACH FOR COPPER IN RELATION TO THE TRADE INTERESTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THEIR COPPER BASED INDUSTRIES (MTN/SEC/W/17). A NOTE ON THE TECHNICAL FEASIBILITY OF IDENTIFYING TARIFFS, NONTARIFF MEASURES AND TRADE FLOWS AFFECTING HANDICRAFTS AS A PRODUCT GROUP (MTN/SEC/W/16) HAS BEEN CIRCULATED AT THE REQUEST OF THE GROUP.

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